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SUBJ: ATTORNEYS GENERAL MEETING

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1. SUMMARY: IN EXTENDED MEETING WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL OJEDA PAULLADA, MINISTER DEAN EXAMINED WITH HIM TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR WASHINGTON MEETING WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL ELLIOT RICHARDSON AS OUTLINED IN REFTEL A. DEAN ALSO TOOK UP MATTER OF VISIT TO MEXICO OF BURT MORENO, ET AL, PLANNED FOR OCTOBER 23 AND 24 (REFTEL B). THE AG REACTED FAVORABLY TO THE SCHEDULE AND EXPRESSED APPROVAL AND KEEN INTEREST IN MORENO VISIT, PARTICULARLY IN RECEIVING INTELLIGENCE FALLOUT FROO CATANIA CASE. ALTHOUGH OBVIOUSLY BUSILY ENGAGED IN MATTERS RELATED TO GUADALAJARA KIDNAP CASE AND OTHER SUBJECTS, AG WAS PLEASED WITH OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR WASHINGTON MEETING. THE WIDE-RANGING CONVERSATION WENT ON FOR AN HOUR AND FORTY MINUTES. END SUMMARY.

2. OJEDA PAULLADA EAID THAT IN ADDITION TO HIMSELF, HIS PARTY WOULD CONSIST OF MRS. OJEDA PAULLADA, THEIR 11-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER OLGA, HIS PERSONAL SECRETARY ALAN IBARRA, AND LIC. RAUL ORTIZ Y ORTIZ WHO USUALLY INTERPRETS FOR HIM ON SUCH OCCASIONS. HE SAID THAT HE AND HIS PARTY WERE HAPPY TO ACCEPT THE HOSPITALITY OF HIS FRIEND RICHARD KLEINDIENST DURING HIS STAY IN WASHINGTON BUT EX-

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PRESSED THE HOPE THAT MR. RICHARDSON AND OTHERS WOULD UNDERSTAND

THAT HIS STAYING WITH MR. KLEINDIENST WAS EXTRA-OFFICIAL AND BASED ON PERSONAL FRIENDSHIP. HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THIS FACT WOULD NOT IN ANYWAY BE MISCONSTRUED OR IMPACT NEGATIVELY ON THE OFFICIAL PROGRAM OF HIS VISIT. DEAN EXPRESSED HIS VIEW THAT THIS WOULD NOT BE THE CASE AND THAT THE FRIENDSHIP THAT HAS DEVELOPED BETWEEN THE TWO FAMILIES IS WELL KNOWN AND UNDERSTOOD.

3. WHEN ASKED ABOUT TRAVEL PLANS AND ARRIVAL TIME IN WASHINGTON FOR PURPOSES OF MEETING AND FACILITATIVE SERVICES, THE AG CALLED IN HIS SECRETARY AND HAD HER MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR THE ENTIRE PARTY ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 58 LEAVING MEXICO CITY AT 8:30 A.M. SUNDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 28. THE AG WAS PLEASED WITH THE PROSPECT OF PRIVATE MEETINGS WITH MR. RICHARDSON AT THE OUTSET OF THE OFFICIAL PROGRAM AND AT THE END OF THE SECOND DAY AND EXPRESSED HIS DESIRE TO HAVE RAUL ORTIZ WITH HIM TO INTERPRET. (ORTIZ IS A PERSONABLE, INTELLIGENT, FIRST-RATE INTERPRETER WHO, INCIDENTALLY RUNS THE FOREIGN STUDENT DIVISION OF THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF MEXICO. HE HAS THE CONFIDENCE OF THE AG AND THE EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT HE BE INCLUDED IN ALL APPROPRIATE OCCASIONS DURING THE VISIT.)

4. THE AG HAD NO PROBLEM WITH ANY PORTION OF TENTATIVE PROGRAM AND SEEMED PLEASED WITH THE TYPE AND LEVEL OF TREATMENT PLANNED FOR HIM. HE HAS ASKED US FOR SOME PAMPHLETS OR BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FBI TO READ PRIOR TO HIS HOLED-FOR MEETING WITH DIRECTOR KELLEY. HE OPTED FOR THE VISIT ON THE MORNING OF OCTOBER 31 TO FBI OR DEA TRAINING CENTERS AND SAID HE WOULD RETURN TO MEXICO CITY ON AN AFTERNOON PLANE IN ORDER TO INCLUDE SUCH VISITS IN HIS SCHEDULE. IN ADDITION TO HIS GENERAL INTEREST IN TRAINING HE EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO DISCUSS THE USEFULNESS OF SAWED-OFF AUTOMATIC SHOTGUNS IN POLICE WORK WITH SOME KNOWLEDGE-ABLE PERSON.

5. THE AG RAISED QUESTION ABOUT PROPER BALANCE BETWEEN MEXICAN AND US SPONSORED SOCIAL FUNCTIONS, EXPRESSING SOME CONCERN THAT ONE MEXICAN FUNCTION (THE TUESDAY EVENING DINNER AT THE MEXICAN

EMBASSY) MIGHT NOT BE ADEQUATE. HE WAS ASSURED THIS WOULD BE ADEQUATE

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ESPECIALLY SINCE THE VARIOUS LUNCHEONS WOULD PROBABLY BE OF A WORKING NATURE. HE EVIDENTLY HAD GOTTEN THE SAME OPINION FROM AMBASSADOR DE OLLOQUI IN A RECENT PHONE CONVERSATION WITH HIM AND SETTLED FOR THE PLANNED BALANCE OF THE SOCIAL FUNCTIONS. AG AGREED THAT NO SPECIAL COMMUNIQUE NEED BE PREPARED AND CONCURRED IN PRESS APPROACH SUGGESTED PARA 6, REFTEL A.

6. WE AGREED THAT KEY ISSUES AND PROJECTS RAISED IN AMBASSADOR

MCBRIDE'S DEMARCHE TO PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA SHOULD PROPERLY BE PURSUED DURING WASHINGTON DISCUSSIONS. HOPE WAS EXPRESSED THAT WE MIGHT RECEIVE SOME INFORMATION FROM WASHINGTON CONCERNING POSSIBLE PILOT TRAINING FOR SPECIAL HELICOPTER TASK FORCE CONCEPT PRIOR TO THAT TIME. AG AGREED THAT WE SHOULD EXPLORE BETTER AND MORE RAPID MEANS OF EXCHANGING INFORMATION AND INTELLIGENCE AND HE SAID THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO EXAMINE CAREFULLY AND IN GREATER DETAIL THE SUGGESTION FOR STATIONING MEXICAN AGENTS IN ATTACHE CAPACITY IN THE UNITED STATES (SAY AT LOS ANGELES AND HOUSTON) PRIOR TO MAKING ANY DECISION IN THIS REGARD. MINISTER
DEA

ALSO EXPLORED WITH AG IDEA RAISED AT SEPTEMBER 24 SAN ANTONIO MEETING WITH JOHN BARTELS AND DEA REPRESENTATIVES THAT HE MIGHT SEND SPECIAL AGENT-ATTORNEYS TO US ON TDY BASIS TO

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EXAMINE EVIDENCE WE MIGHT HAVE IN SELECTED CASES INVOLVING TRAFFICKERS IN MEXICO WITH AN EYE TO USING SUCH EVIDENCE IN THE

PROSECUTION OF THOSE TRAFFICKERS IN MEXICAN COURTS. AG FOUND THIS IDEA VERY ATTRACTIVE.

7. AG SAID HE HAD BEEN ASKED BY FONSEC RABASA TO RAISE ISSUE OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS DURING WASHINGTON MEETING. HE SOMEWHAT RELUCTANT TO DO SO BECAUSE OF HIS LIMITED ROLE (ADVISORY) ON THE MEXICAN GROUP DEALING WITH THIS PROBLEM WHICH HE SAID FALLS UNDER JURISDICTION OF SECRETARY OF GOBERNACION. WE DISCUSSED INTRICACIES OF THIS THORNY PROBLEM AND I DESCRIBED TO HIM CURRENT CLIMATE AMONG

LABOR UNIONS AND US CONGRESS IN ITS REGARD. IT APPEARS THAT AG, WHO EXPECTS TO MEET WITH RABASA PRIOR TO WASHINGTON MEETING, WILL BE PREPARED TO PRESENT MEXICAN GOVERNMENT POSITION ONCE AGAIN (AND HE IS FULLY AWARE OF SECRETARY RABASA'S DEMARCHE TO SECRETARY KISSINGER) AND REPORT BACK OUR RESPONSE TO HIM.

8. WITH REGARD TO MRS. OJEDA PAULLADA'S PROGRAM, AG WELCOMED SUGGESTION THAT SHE SPEND OCTOBER 29 WITH DR. DUPONT AND STAFF TOURING SAODAP AND DC TREATMENT FACILITIES AND POSSIBLY APPROPRIATE ECTION OF NIH. HE SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO HER INTEREST IN DRUG REHABILITATION PROGRAMS, ESPECIALLY THE LEGAL ASPECTS, MRS. OJEDA PAULLADA HAS A KEEN INTEREST IN (AND IS CURRENTLY PREPARING A RESEARCH PAPER ON) LAWS DEALING WITH CHILDREN AND FAMILY COURTS. HE SAID SHE WAS TOLD AT A RECENT MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFIDENTIAL

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FEDERATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS THAT NEW YORK CITY HAD AN ESPECIALLY

INTERESTING COURT SYSTEM FOR MINORS AND FAMILY PROBLEMS. HE SAID HE WAS NOT SUGGESTING THAT SHE GO TO NEW YORK BUT STATED HIS HOPE

THAT SOMETHING OF A SIMILAR QUALITY AND INTEREST COULD BE SEEN IN THE WASHINGTON AREA ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3). HE SUGGESTED WE KEEP MRS. OJEDA PAULLADA'S PROGRAM FREE ON THE WEDNESDAY MORNING THAT HE WOULD BE SCHEDULED TO VISIT THE ACADEMIES.

9. DEAN ASSURED AG THAT ESSENCE OF THEIR CONVERSATION AND HIS PROGRAM PREFERENCES WOULD BE TRANSMITTED BY CABLE TO WASHINGTON AND WOULD ALSO BE DISCUSSED WITH WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVES IN SAN ANTONIO AT THE END OF THIS WEEK. IT WAS AGREED THAT UPON RECEIPT OF FURTHER DETAILS THE TWO WOULD AGAIN MEET.
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